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SUBJ: ASTRONAUT SCIENCE BOARD SUMMER STUDY: SPACE HABITAT

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3. GENERAL COMMENTS:

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1. SPACE SYSTEMS CONTRIBUTE TO MILITARY EFFECTIVENESS IN
DIRECT PROPORTION TO THE DEGREE OF THEIR SURVIVABILITY

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2. ORGANIZATIONAL ALIGNMENTS AND PROCEDURES SHOULD EVOLVE CONSISTENT WITH THE PACE OF SPACE SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT TO ENSURE THE MOST EFFECTIVE EMPLOYMENT OF THESE ASSETS.

3. SPECIFIC SUGGESTIONS:

A. STRATEGIC DEFENSE IS WELL SITUATED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF INCREASED SPACE APPLICATIONS OVER ONE, TWO, OR TWO. SPECIFICALLY, SPACE SYSTEMS ARE NEEDED TO PERFORM THE FOLLOWING FORCE SUPPORT FUNCTIONS:

(1) GLOBAL DETECTION AND TRACK OF BALLISTIC MISSILES.

B. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE FUNCTIONS, THE FOLLOWING SPACE-BASED WEAPON APPLICATIONS ARE SUGGESTED:

(1) DEGRADATION OF BALLISTIC MISSILES.

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3. ALTHOUGH MANY OF THE ABOVE TASKS WILL REQUIRE TECHNOLOGY
ADVANCED, THEIR MILITARY UTILITY APPEARS TO WARRANT THE EFFORT.

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